

In The Claims:

1-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) An improved flooring system for a cargo-carrying vehicle, the system comprising:

a plurality of flooring members;

a pair of parallel, spaced-apart frame rails formed of angle iron, the frame rails confining the flooring members therebetween in closely spaced adjacent relation to form a floor surface; and

a pair of end members, each of the end members being formed of c-channel, the end members extending transversely between the frame rails at the ends thereof to secure the ~~frame~~ flooring members against movement parallel to the frame rails, ~~at least a portion of the c-channel of one of the end members being selectively moveable relative to the frame rails to permit selective removal of one or more of the flooring members from between the frame rails., wherein~~ the c-channel of one end member is hinged along its length to permit a portion of the c-channel confining the flooring members against movement to be rotated to a position in which the flooring members are selectively removable from between the frame rails.

17. (Previously Presented) The flooring system according to claim 16, wherein the flooring members are wooden planks.

18. (Currently Amended) The flooring system according to claim 16, wherein ~~the c-channel of the movable end member is hinged along its length to permit a portion of the c-~~

~~channel confining the flooring members against movement to be rotated to a position in which the flooring members can be removed from between the frame rails. the cargo-carrying vehicle is a two-wheeled flat bed trailer.~~

19. (Currently Amended) An improved flooring system for a vehicle, the system comprising:

a pair of spaced-apart, parallel frame rails formed of angle iron;

a plurality of flooring members extending longitudinally between the frame rails and held in closely spaced adjacent relation by the frame rails;

a first end member and extending transversely between the frame rails at one end thereof, the end member confining the flooring members against longitudinal movement between the frame rails;

a second end member formed of c-channel extending transversely between the frame rails at an end opposite the first end member, ~~a portion of the c-channel of the second end member being movable between a first position confining the floor members against longitudinal movement between the frame rails and a second position permitting selective removal of one or more of the flooring members. the c-channel of the second end member being hinged along its length to permit a portion of the c-channel confining the flooring members against movement to be rotated to a position in which the flooring members are selectively removable from between the frame rails.~~

20. (Previously Presented) The flooring system according to claim 19, wherein the flooring members are wooden planks.

21. (Currently Amended) The flooring system according to claim 19, wherein ~~the c-channel of the second end member is hinged along its length to permit a portion of the c-channel confining the flooring members against movement to be rotated to a position in which the flooring members can be removed from between the frame rails.~~ the vehicle is a two-wheeled flat bed trailer.

22. (Previously Presented) The flooring system according to claim 19, wherein the first end member is formed of c-channel.

23. (Previously Presented) The flooring system according to claim 22, wherein the c-channel of the first end member is hinged along its length to permit a portion of the c-channel confining the flooring members against movement to be rotated to a position in which the flooring members can be removed from between the frame rails.

24. (Currently Amended) An improved flooring system for a cargo carrying vehicle, the system comprising:

a plurality of flooring planks having a length and a width;

a pair of parallel, spaced-apart frame rails formed of angle iron and confining the flooring planks lengthwise therebetween in closely spaced adjacent relation to form a floor surface;

a first end member formed of c-channel and extending transversely between the frame rails at one end thereof, the end member confining the flooring planks against lengthwise movement, the c-channel of the first end member being hinged along its length so as to be

movable between a closed position confining the flooring planks against lengthwise movement between the frame rails and an open position permitting selective removal of one or more of the flooring planks;

a second end member formed of c-channel and extending transversely between the frame rails at an end opposite the first end member, the c-channel of the second end member being hinged along its length so as to be movable between a closed position confining the flooring planks against lengthwise movement between the frame rails and an open position permitting selective removal of one or more of the flooring planks.

25. (Previously Presented) The flooring system according to claim 24, wherein the flooring planks are wooden planks.

26. (Currently Amended) The flooring system according to claim 24, wherein the ~~e-channel of the first end member is hinged along its length to permit a portion of the c-channel confining the flooring members against movement to be rotated to a position in which the flooring members can be removed from between the frame rails.~~ the cargo-carrying vehicle is a two-wheeled flat bed trailer.